

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2001-65-C - ORDER NO. 2001-500

MAY 29, 2001

IN RE: Proceeding to Establish Prices for BellSouth)	ORDER GRANTING
Telecommunications, Inc.'s Interconnection)	EXTENSION
Services, Unbundled Network Elements and)	
other related Elements and Services.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion of NewSouth Communications Corp., TriVergent Communications, Inc., Access Integrated Networks, Inc., Broadslate Networks of South Carolina, Inc., ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc., and KMC Telecom III, Inc. (Intervenors) for an extension of time in which to prefile their testimony regarding the proceeding to establish prices for BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s interconnection services, unbundled network elements and other related elements and services. By Commission Order 2001-296, Commission Staff and Intervenors were originally ordered to file their testimony on or before May 29, 2001, however, a Motion to Extend Prefiling Deadlines was submitted by the Intervenors on May 11, 2001. As noted in the Motion, the Intervenors believe that extending the prefiled deadlines is necessary because both BellSouth and the Intervenors and their experts will be participating in the BellSouth UNE cost hearing in Alabama beginning the week of May 14, 2001, and this would inhibit them from preparing their prefiled testimony. The Intervenors also note that by extending the prefiled deadlines, no parties would be prejudiced thereby. Intervenors are

not requesting an extension of the hearing date. We find that no undue hardship or difficulty will be experienced by any party of record if the Intervenors are granted an extension of time to file their prefiled testimony. We grant the extension.

Accordingly, the Commission hereby orders that twenty-five copies of the testimony and exhibits of the Commission Staff and Intervenors shall be prefiled on or before **June 4, 2001**, and shall serve all parties of record as per the Commission rules. Any rebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be prefiled on or before **June 11, 2001**, and any surrebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be prefiled on or before **June 14, 2001**, and shall serve all parties of record as per the Commission rules. Rebuttal and/or surrebuttal testimony and exhibits must be filed with the Commission before the close of business and placed in the parties hands on the dates indicated.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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